

Senate Study Bill 3219

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the distribution and permissible expenditures
2 of moneys deposited in the wireless E911 emergency
3 communications fund.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. Section 34A.7A, subsection 2, paragraphs f and
1 2 g, Code Supplement 2007, are amended to read as follows:
1 3 f. (1) The program manager shall allocate an amount up to
1 4 one hundred fifty-nine thousand dollars per calendar quarter
1 5 equally to the joint E911 service boards and the department of
1 6 public safety that have submitted an annual written request to
1 7 the program manager in a form approved by the program manager
1 8 by May 15 of each year. The program manager shall allocate to
1 9 each joint E911 service board and to the department of public
1 10 safety a minimum of one thousand dollars per calendar quarter
1 11 for each public safety answering point within the service area
1 12 of the department of public safety or joint E911 service
1 13 board.
1 14 (2) Upon retirement of outstanding obligations referred to
1 15 in paragraph "e", the amount allocated under this paragraph
1 16 "f" shall be ~~twenty-five~~ thirty percent of the total amount of
1 17 surcharge generated per calendar quarter allocated as follows:
1 18 (a) Sixty-five percent of the total dollars available for
1 19 allocation shall be allocated in proportion to the square
1 20 miles of the service area to the total square miles in this
1 21 state.
1 22 (b) Thirty-five percent of the total dollars available for
1 23 allocation shall be allocated in proportion to the wireless
1 24 E911 calls taken at the public safety answering point in the
1 25 service area to the total number of wireless E911 calls
1 26 originating in this state.
1 27 (c) Notwithstanding subparagraph subdivisions (a) and (b),
1 28 the minimum amount allocated to each joint E911 service board
1 29 and to the department of public safety shall be no less than
1 30 one thousand dollars for each public safety answering point
1 31 within the service area of the department of public safety or
1 32 joint E911 service board.
1 33 (3) The funds allocated in this paragraph "f" shall be
1 34 used for ~~communication equipment located inside the public~~
~~1 35 safety answering points for the implementation and maintenance~~
~~2 1 of wireless E911 phase 2. The joint E911 service boards and~~
~~2 2 the department of public safety shall provide an estimate of~~
~~2 3 phase 2 implementation costs to the program manager by January~~
~~2 4 1, 2005 related to receipt and disposition of E911 calls and~~
~~2 5 for recurring and nonrecurring costs specified in section~~
~~2 6 34A.2, subsection 7, paragraph "e".~~
2 7 g. If moneys remain in the fund after fully paying all
2 8 obligations under paragraphs "a" through "f", the remainder
2 9 may be accumulated in the fund as a carryover operating
2 10 surplus. This surplus shall be used to fund future phase 2
2 11 network ~~and improvements~~, public safety answering point
2 12 ~~improvements equipment related to the receipt and disposition~~
~~2 13 of E911 calls, and wireless carriers' transport costs related~~
2 14 to wireless E911 services, if those transport costs are not
2 15 otherwise recovered by wireless carriers through customer
2 16 billing or other sources and approved by the program manager,
2 17 ~~and for recurring and nonrecurring costs specified in section~~

2 18 34A.2, subsection 7, paragraph "e". Notwithstanding section
2 19 8.33, any moneys remaining in the fund at the end of each
2 20 fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund of the state
2 21 but shall remain available for the purposes of the fund.

2 22 EXPLANATION

2 23 This bill increases the percentage of moneys allocated by
2 24 the E911 program manager to the joint E911 service boards and
2 25 the department of public safety from the wireless E911
2 26 emergency communications fund from 25 percent to 30 percent of
2 27 the total amount of the wireless surcharge generated per
2 28 calendar quarter. The bill specifies that moneys allocated to
2 29 the E911 service boards and the department of public safety
2 30 shall be used for equipment related to receipt and disposition
2 31 of E911 calls and for the recurring and nonrecurring costs
2 32 specified in Code section 34A.2(7)(e).

2 33 Currently, moneys remaining in the wireless E911 emergency
2 34 communications fund are used as a carryover operating surplus.
2 35 The bill specifies that this surplus may be used for
3 1 expenditures for equipment related to the receipt and
3 2 disposition of E911 calls and for the recurring and
3 3 nonrecurring costs specified in Code section 34A.2(7)(e).

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